TRANSMITTAL LETTER Docket No. AUG 0 2 2007 (General - Patent Pending) 25266-101943 **Derek Turner** Application No. Examiner Customer No. **Group Art Unit** Confirmation No. Filing Date 10/539,741 1/19/2006 3709 Mai 28886 5881 Title: **DENTAL HANDPIECE** COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: Transmitted herewith is: **ELECTION** RETURN POSTCARD. in the above identified application. No additional fee is required. A check in the amount of is attached. ☑ The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 50-1759

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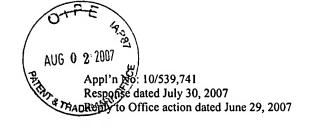
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Dear Sir:

This Election is in response to the Office action dated June 29, 2007. In the Office action, the Examiner has stated that claims 1–34 in the above-captioned application are subject to a restriction and/or election requirement.

The Examiner states that the above-captioned application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1:

Group I, claims 1-14 and 33-34

Group II, claims 15-17 and 23-24

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Group III, claims 18-22

Group IV, claims 25-26

Group V, claims 27-29

Group VI, claim 30; and

Group VII, claims 31-32.

In response, Applicant elects to continue prosecution for Group I identified by the Examiner. For Group I, Applicant selects claims 1-14 and 33-34.

It is respectfully submitted that this patent application is in condition for allowance, which allowance is respectfully solicited. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this amendment or patent application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

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